

A Proclamation
Honoring the 175th Anniversary
Of the First Baptist Church of Griffin

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church of Griffin, Georgia, was constituted on March 7, 1841, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church has maintained a vibrant presence in the downtown area of the City of Griffin for 175 years, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church has impacted the lives of countless individuals for the Kingdom of God during its long and storied history, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church has produced at least ten mission churches that maintain a Gospel witness in Griffin and Spalding County, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church has sent forth missionaries and ministers in great number, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church birthed Mount Zion Baptist Church, the mother church of our African-American sisters and brothers in the City of Griffin, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church has produced numerous leaders in industry, commerce, education, banking, and the arts, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church has provided a strong pulpit presence in this community throughout its history, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church is supportive of community events and hosts numerous community activities in its facilities, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church has been a leader in the Scouting movement, sponsoring Pack 2 and Troop 2 of the American Boy Scouts, and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church continues to innovate and change in light of present and future needs,

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved that We, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Griffin, do hereby proclaim March 6, 2016 to be First Baptist Church Day, and we urge our citizens to pay homage to this vibrant and vital community ministry.

IN WITNESS
WHEREOF,

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Griffin to be affixed this twenty-third day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Dick Morrow".

Dick Morrow, Chairperson
City of Griffin, Board of Commissioners

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kenny L. Smith".

Kenny L. Smith, City Manager